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To: Senator Mary Ann Handley, Senate Chair
Representative Peggy Sayers, House Chair
Members of the Public Health Committee

Re: SB00419 An Act Prohibiting Smoking in Regulated Areas of Casinos

Date: February 29, 2008

Senator Handley, Rep. Sayers and members of the Public Health Committee, my name is Margaret LaCroix and I am here on behalf of the American Lung Association to support SB00419, An Act Prohibiting Smoking in Regulated Areas of Casinos.

As you know the American Lung Association, along with our partners, has supported healthy workplaces for all Connecticut workers and patrons. The Smoking Ban passed in 2003 was an important step to insure healthy workplaces. It is time that the workplaces that still permit smoking come under the purview of the smoking ban.

Scientific studies continue to prove that secondhand smoke is harmful for adults and children. We urge you to act favorable on this bill, to protect all Connecticut workers and patrons. It is good public health policy.

For more than 100 years, the American Lung Association and Lung Association affiliates throughout the United States have worked together in the fight against lung disease.

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